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**PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), the undersigned attorney, on behalf of applicant(s), hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to and including January 3, 2008, to file a response to the Office Action of October 3, 2007, which carried an original response date of November 3, 2007.

Please charge the total amount of \$460.00 for the two-month extension fee to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. Any additional fee which may be due or any other charges in connection with the submission of this response should be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed for that purpose (unless submitted via EFS-Web).

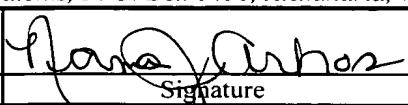
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